12.00 Noon

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

Report and Accounts (2003-2004) of Oil India Limited Dibrugarh, Assam and related papers

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS AND THE MINISTER OF PANCHAYATI RAJ (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR): Sir, I lay on the Table

I. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers, under sub-section (1) of section 619A of the Companies Act, 1956:

(a) Forty-fifth Annual Report and Accounts of the Oil India Limited, Dibrugarh, Assam, for the year 2003-2004, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts and the comments of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India thereon.

(b) Review by Government on the working of the above Company.

II. Statement (in English and Hindi) giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (i) above. [Placed in Library. *See* No. LT 1902/05]

Notification of the Ministry of Company Affairs

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI PREM CHAND GUPTA): Sir, I lay on the Table, under sub-section (3) of section 620 A of the Companies Act, 1956, a copy (in English and Hindi) of the Ministry of Company Affairs Notification G.S.R. 102 (E) dated the 25th February, 2005, granting Nidhi status to the Companies.

[Placed in Library. *See* No. LT 1780/05]

Notifications of the Ministry of Finance

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S. PALANIMANICKAM): Sir, I lay on the Table

I. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue), under sub-section (2) of section 38 of the Central Excise Act, 1944, together with Explanatory Memoranda on the Notifications:

(1) G.S.R. 91(E) dated the 23rd February, 2005, publishing Notification No. 4/2005-Central Excise (NT) dated the 23rd February, 2005, seeking to provide 40% of the retail price as abatement for the purposes of determining the assessable value on which excise duty is payable in case of drugs and medicines.

(2) G.S.R. 93 (E) dated the 24th February, 2005, publishing Notification No. 1/2005-Central Excise dated the 24th February, 2005, seeking to substitute any reference to the Chapter, heading or sub-heading of the First Schedule or the Second Schedule to the Central Excise Tariff Act in the Notifications issued under sub-section (1) of section 5A of the Central Excise Act, 1944 read with sub-section (3) of section 3 of the Additional Duties of Excise (Goods of Special Importance) Act, 1957 and sub-section (3) of 3 section of the Additional Duties of Excise (Textiles and Textile Articles) Act, 1978.

(3) G.S.R. 94 (E) dated the 24th February, 2005, publishing Notification No. 2/2005-Central Excise dated the 24th February, 2005 seeking to substitute any reference to the Chapter, heading or sub-heading of the First Schedule or the Second Schedule to the Central Excise Tariff Act in the Notifications issued under sub-section 5A of the Central Excise Act, 1944 read with section 136 of the Finance Act, 2001 and section 169 of the Finance Act, 2003.

(4) G.S.R. 95 (E) dated the 24th February, 2005, publishing Notification No. 3/2005-Central Excise dated the 24th February, 2005 seeking to maintain rate of duty on excisable commodities as specified in the First Schedule to the Central Excise Tariff Act, 1985, as existing before the commencement of Central Excise Tariff (Amendment) Act, 2004.

(5) G.S.R. 96 (E) dated the 24th February, 2005, publishing Notification No. 5/2005-Central Excise (NT) dated the 24th February, 2005 seeking to substitute any reference to the Chapter, Heading or sub-heading of the First Schedule to the Central Excise Tariff Act in the notifications issued under sub-section (1) and sub-section (2) of section 4A of the Central Excise Act, 1944.

(6) G.S.R. 124 (E) dated the 1st March, 2005, publishing Notification No. 4/2005-Central Excise dated the 1st March, 2005, seeking to

exempt goods such as refined edible oil, vanaspati, etc. and providing effective rate of duty for various commodities such as motor sprit, high speed diesel, matches, milk fat and SNF tester, etc.

(7) G.S.R. 125 (E) dated the 1st March, 2005, publishing Notification No. 5/2005-Central Excise dated the 1st March, 2005, seeking to amend G.S.R. 127 (E) dated the 1st March, 2002, so as to omit certain entries and change certain conditions of exemption.

(8) G.S.R. 126 (E) dated the 1st March, 2005, publishing Notification No. 6/2005-Central Excise dated the 1st March, 2005, seeking to specify the rate of additional duty of excise leviable on pan masala and various tobacco products.

(9) G.S.R. 127 (E) dated the 1st March, 2005, publishing Notification No. 7/2005-Central Excise dated the 1st March, 2005, seeking to exempt tea and tea waste from additional duty of excise on tea.

(10) G.S.R. 128 (E) dated the 1st March, 2005, publishing Notification No. 8/2005-Central Excise dated the 1st March, 2005, seeking to impose additional duty of customs on goods cleared by export oriented undertakings and EHTP unit or STP for DTA area.

(11) G.S.R. 129 (E) dated the 1st March, 2005, publishing Notification No. 9/2005-Central Excise dated the 1st March, 2005, seeking to exempt all excisable goods produced or manufactured in a special economic zone, when brought to any other place in India in accordance with the provisions of the Foreign Trade Policy 2004-09.

(12) G.S.R. 130 (E) dated the 1st March, 2005, publishing Notification No. 10/2005-Central Excise dated the 1st March, 2005, seeking to amend G.S.R. 138 (E), G.S.R. 140 (E) dated the 1st March, 2003, G.S.R. 420 (E) and G.S.R. 421 (E) dated the 9th July, 2004.

(13) G.S.R. 131 (E) dated the 1st March, 2005, publishing Notification No. 11/2005-Central Excise dated the 1st March, 2005, seeking to rescind (i) G.S.R. 139 (E) dated the 1st March, 2003, with effect from the 1st day of April, 2005; (ii) G.S.R. 141 (E) dated the 1st March, 2003, with effect from the 1st day of March, 2005; and (iii) G.S.R. 412 (E) dated the 14th May, 2003, with effect from the 1st day of March, 2005.

(14) G.S.R. 132 (E) dated the 1st March, 2005, publishing Notification No. 12/2005-Central Excise dated the 1st March, 2005, seeking to exempt additional duty of excise on inputs used within the factory of production for the manufacture of goods attracting additional duty of excise leviable under clause 85 of the Finance Bill, 2005.

(15) G.S.R. 133 (E) dated the 1st March, 2005, publishing Notification No. 13/2005-Central Excise dated the 1st March, 2005, seeking to exempt tyres, filament yarn and air conditioners from special excise duty.

(16) G.S.R. 134 (E) dated the 1st March, 2005, publishing Notification No. 11/2004-Central Excise (NT) dated the 1st March, 2005, seeking to amend G.S.R. 152 (E) dated the 1st March, 2002 so as to reduce abatement from retail sale price of air conditioners consequent to exemption from special excise duty on air-conditioners.

(17) G.S.R. 135 (E) dated the 1st March, 2005, publishing Notification No. 12/2005-Central Excise (NT) dated the 1st March, 2005, seeking to amend the Central Excise Rules, 2002 so as to introduce Rule 12AA for job worker of articles of jewellery.

(18) G.S.R. 136 (E) dated the 1st March, 2005, publishing Notification No. 13/2005-Central Excise (NT) dated the 1st March, 2005, seeking to amend the Cenvat Credit Rules, 2004 so as to provide for allowing credit of additional duty of customs, additional duty of excise on pan masala and certain specified tobacco products, and to make consequent changes related to manufacture of article of jewellery on job worker basis and export of service.

(19) G.S.R. 137 (E) dated the 1st March, 2005, publishing Notification No. 14/2005-Central Excise (NT) dated the 1st March, 2005, seeking to modify declaration for SSI units and reducing the monetary limit for filing declaration from Rs. 90 lakhs to 40 lakhs.

(20) G.S.R. 150 (E) dated the 3rd March, 2005, publishing Notification No. 16/2005-Central Excise (NT) dated the 3rd March, 2005, seeking to amend Rule 5 of the CENVAT Credit Rules, 2004 consequent to the Notification of Export of Service Rules, 2005.

[Placed in Library For (1) to (20) *See* No. L.T.1787/05]

II. A copy (in English and Hindi) of the Ministry of Finance (Department of Economic Affairs), Notification No. PSB/DAC/2004 dated the 13th November, 2004, publishing the Punjab & Sind Bank Officer Employees (Discipline and Appeal) (Amendment) Regulations, 2004, under sub-section (4) of section 19 of the Banking Companies (Acquisition and Transfer of Undertakings) Act, 1980. [Placed in Library. *See* No. L.T. 1791/05]

III. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue), under sub-sction (7) of section 9A of the Customs Tariff Act, 1975, together with Explanatory Memoranda on the Notifications:

(1) G.S.R. 77 (E) dated the 16th February, 2005, publishing Notification No. 10/2005-Customs dated the 16th February, 2005, seeking to extend the validity of anti-dumping duty on Polystyrene originating in or exported from Hong Kong, Singapore and Thailand imposed upto 12th October, 2005.

(2) G.S.R. 117 (E) dated the 1st March, 2005, publishing Notification No. 19/2005-Customs dated the 1st March, 2005 seeking to impose additional duty leviable, under sub-section (5) of section 3 of the Customs Tarrif Act, 1975 on specified goods.

(3) G.S.R. 118 (E) dated the 1st March, 2005, publishing Notification No. 20/2005-Customs dated the 1st March, 2005 seeking to exempt the additional duty leviable from the Education Cess on imported goods, under sub-section (5) of section 3(5) of the Customs Tariff Act, 1975. [Placed in Library for (1) to (3) *See* No. L.T.1789/05]

IV. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue), under section 159 of the Customs Act, 1962, together with Explanatory Memoranda on the Notifications:

(1) G.S.R. 775 (E) dated the 25th November, 2004, amending G.S.R. 284(E) dated the 30 May, 1991, so as to delete six items namely brass-scrap, copper, copper scrap, CRNGO steel sheets, electrolytic copper wire/rod and stainless steel strips of magnetic quality 40/42.BG/cold rolled stainless steel strips for razor blades.

(2) G.S.R. 109 (E) dated the 1st March, 2005 publishing Notification No. 11/2005-Customs dated the 1st March, 2005, amending G.S.R. dated the 1st March, 2002.

(3) G.S.R. 110 (E) dated the 1st March, 2005 publishing Notification No. 12/2005-Customs dated the 1st March, 2005, seeking to rescind G.S.R. 18 (E) dated the 8th January, 2004.

(4) G.S.R. 111 (E) dated the 1st March, 2005 publishing Notification No. 13/2005-Customs dated the 1st March, 2005, seeking to reduced the peak rate of customs duty on all goods (other than agricultural goods) from 20% to 15%.

(5) G.S.R. 112 (E) dated the 1st March, 2005 publishing Notification No. 14/2005-Customs dated the 1st March, 2005, superseding G.S.R. 38 (E) dated the 12th January, 2004 and specifying customs duty on upholstery fabrics.

(6) G.S.R. 113 (E) dated the 1st March, 2005 publishing Notification No. 15/2004-Customs dated the 1st March, 2005, specifying preferential rates of customs duty in respect of Chapters 8 to 38 of the Custom Tariff Act, 1975.

(7) G.S.R. 114 (E) dated the 1st March, 2005 publishing Notification No. 16/2005-Customs dated the 1st March, 2005, amending G.S.R. 366 (E) dated the 20th March, 1990, so as to reduce the customs duty on passenger baggage from 40% to 35%.

(8) G.S.R. 115 (E) dated the 1st March, 2005 publishing Notification No. 17/2005-Customs dated the 1st March, 2005, seeking to exempt tea and tea waste from additional duty of customs leviable, under section 128(1) of the Finance Act, 2003.

(9) G.S.R. 116 (E) dated the 1st March, 2005 publishing Notification No. 18/2005-Customs dated the 1st March, 2005, seeking to amend G.S.R. 302(E) dated the 23rd July, 1996, G.S.R. 290 (E) dated the 2nd June, 1998 and G.S.R. 411 (E) dated the 9th July, 2004.

(10) G.S.R. 119 (E) dated the 1st March, 2005 publishing Notification No. 21/2005-Customs dated the 1st March, 2005, seeking to exempt parts, components and accessories of mobile handsets (including cellular phones) from customs duty and CVD.

(11) G.S.R. 120 (E) dated the 1st March, 2005 publishing Notification No. 22/2005-Customs dated the 1st March, 2005, amending G.S.R. 161 (E) dated the 28th February, so as to make technical modifications in respect of specified inputs for electronic industry on which customs duty is already exempted.

(12) G.S.R. 121 (E) dated the 1st March, 2005 publishing Notification No. 23/2005-Customs dated the 1st March, 2005, amending G.S.R. 122 (E) dated the 1st March, 2002, so as exempt customs duty on specified capital goods for electronic industry.

(13) G.S.R. 122 (E) dated the 1st March, 2005 publishing Notification No. 24/2005-Customs dated the 1st March, 2005, seeking to exempt customs duty on goods falling under specified heading, sub-heading or tariff item covered under the Information Technology Agreement (ITA).

(14) G.S.R. 123 (E) dated the 1st March, 2005 publishing Notification No. 25/2005-Customs dated the 1st March, 2005, seeking to exempt customs duty on goods of specified description covered under the Information Technology Agreement (ITA). [Placed in Library for (1) to (14) *See* No. L.T. 1786/05]

V. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of Finance (Department of Economic Affairs), under sub-section (4) of section 19 of Banking companies (Acquisition and Transfer of Undertakings) Act, 1970:

1. Pension-5 dated the 21st August, 2004, publishing the Union Bank of India (Employees) Pension (Amendment) Regulations, 2004.
2. IL.2004-05, dated the 23rd October, 2004, publishing the Bank of India Officer Employees (Discipline & Appeal) (Amendment) Regulations, 2004.
3. ODAR/1/2004, dated the 13th November, 2004, publishing the UCO Bank Officer Employees (Discipline and Appeal) (Amendment) Regulations, 2004.
4. HO/IR/F-49/1981, dated the 20th November, 2004, publishing the Allahabad Bank Officer Employees (Discipline and Appeal) (Amendment) Regulations, 2004.

5. SRC/47, dated the 20th November, 2004, publishing the Indian Bank Officer Employees (Discipline and Appeal) (Amendment) Regulations, 2004.

VI. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue), under section 296 of the Income-Tax Act, 1961, together with Explanatory Memoranda on the Notifications:

(1) S.O. 1073 (E) dated the 30th September, 2004, publishing the Electronic Furnishing of Return of Income Scheme, 2004, along with delay statement.

(2) S.O. 1074 (E) dated the 30th September, 2004, publishing the Furnishing of Return of Income on Internet Scheme, 2004, along with delay statement.

(3) S.O. 30(E) dated the 6th January, 2005, publishing the Income-tax (First Amendment) Rules, 2005.

(4) S.O. 36(E) dated the 7th January, 2005, publishing the Income-tax (Second Amendment) Rules, 2005.

(5) S.O. 232 (E) dated the 17th February, 2005, publishing the Income-tax (Fifth Amendment) Rules, 2005.

(6) S.O. 266 (E) dated the 28th February, 2005, publishing the Income-tax (Sixth Amendment) Rules, 2005. [Placed in Library for (1) to (6) *See No.* L.T. 178/5/05]

VII. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue), under section (4) of section 94 of chapter IV of the Finance Act, 1994, together with Explanatory Memoranda on the Notifications:

(1) G.S.R. 138(E) dated the 1st March, 2005, publishing Notification No. 4/2005 - Service Tax dated the 1st March, 2005, seeking to amend G.S.R. 589 (E) dated the 10th September, 2004, so as to provide that the gross amount charged for the purpose of abatement includes value of goods and materials supplied or provided or used by such provider of construction service.

(2) G.S.R. 139(E) dated the 1st March, 2005, publishing Notification No. 5/2005 - Service Tax dated the 1st March, 2005, seeking to amend G.S.R. 849 (E) dated the 31st December, 2004, so as to notify the taxable services in relation to business auxiliary service of distribution of mutual fund by a mutual fund distributor or an agent as the case may be, for the purposes of section 68(2) of the Finance Act, 1994.

(3) G.S.R. 140(E) dated the 1st March, 2005, publishing Notification No. 6/2005 - Service Tax dated the 1st March, 2005, seeking to exempt service providers upto an aggregate value of taxable services of Rs. 4 lakhs in any financial year from the whole of the service tax leviable thereon subject to specified conditions, applicable from the 1st April, 2005.

(4) G.S.R. 141(E) dated the 1st March, 2005, publishing Notification No. 7/2005 - Service Tax dated the 1st March, 2005, seeking to amend rules 2, 4, 4A and 6 of the Service Tax Rules, 1994. The proposed Notification would be applicable from the 1st April, 2005.

(5) G.S.R. 142(E) dated the 1st March, 2005, publishing Notification No. 8/2005 - Service Tax dated the 1st March, 2005, seeking to exempt service tax on business auxiliary service of production of goods on behalf of the client received from such client on the condition that the resultant product is returned back to the client for further manufacture of final products which are cleared on payment of excise duty.

(6) G.S.R. 151(E) dated the 3rd March, 2005, publishing Notification No. 9/2005 - Service Tax dated the 3rd March, 2005, seeking to notify Export of Service rules, 2005, for determination of export of services and rebate of service tax on services exported, to be effective from the 15th March. 2005.

(7) G.S.R. 152(E) dated the 3rd March, 2005, publishing Notification No. 10/2005 - Service Tax dated the 3rd March, 2005, seeking to rescind G.S.R. 897(E) dated the 20th November, 2003 and G.S.R. 616(E) dated the 17th September, 2004, to be effective from the 15th March, 2005. [Placed in Library for (1) to (7) *See* No. L.T. 1788/05]